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Members Present: J. Constable (Chair), J. Kus, P. Newell, A. Parham,
J. Parks, J. Waayers.

Members Absent: N. Bengiamin (excused), P. Diaz (student)(excused).

Visitor: P. Smits.

The meeting was called to order by Chair Constable at 3:40 p.m. in TA #117.

1. Minutes. MSC to approve the Minutes of 4/14/10.
2. Agenda. MSC to approve the Agenda as distributed.
3. Communications and Announcements.

J. Constable announced the upcoming budget presentation by Dr. Welty (10 a.m. April 23, 2010 at the Satellite Student Union) to present the state of the University budget for the 2010-2011 Academic year. J. Constable, J. Kus, and P. Newell all indicated they planned to attend the presentation. Given the limited number of items requiring the attention of the UBC, it was decided that based on the information provided by Dr. Welty it would be decided following the presentation if a meeting would be required on April 28, 2010.

4. New Business - There were none.
5. Update of the Capital Campaign - P. Smits

P. Smits reported on the progress of the Capital Campaign which as of March 31, 2010 had reached ~75% of the \$200 M target. Key points made during the presentation were as follows:

- All units within the University have contributed to the Campaign, the top fundraisers are JCAST (due to the Jordan gift), Intercollegiate Athletics, and the Lyles College of Engineering (due to the Lyle's gift). Approximately 74% of funds received have been cash gifts.
- Broadly, the cost incurred by CSU Fresno to raise funds to support academic programs is less than that incurred during the years prior to the start of the Capital Campaign. Similarly, the cost to raise funds by CSU

- Fresno is below that incurred by the CSU System as a whole or by individual CSU campuses that are comparable to CSU Fresno (San Diego, Long Beach, and SLO).
- Funds to support the CSU Fresno Capital Campaign were provided approximately equally by State funds and Non-State funds.

6. Discussion of the Costs Associated with Performing Student Ratings of Faculty Classroom Performance.

In order to initiate the discussion, J. Constable distributed the sequence of staff, faculty, and IRAP steps needed to accomplish student ratings of faculty performance. It was noted by A. Parham that while this sequence mirrored that used by many Departments, it did not strictly hold to the requirement of APM322. The subsequent discussion identified concerns that the rating process should be administered by staff; that the internal assessment instruments differ across the University; questions have rarely been properly evaluated to ensure appropriate format nor have they undergone proper quality control and quality assurance tests; and that internal evaluation instruments could expose the university to liability suits.

MSC due to the complexity of the issue, the committee decided to have the chair of the UBC compose a memo indicating the following to be sent to the Executive Committee, the Personnel Committee and the Office of Student Affairs.

- (i) The UBC would form a committee to evaluate the costs of performing student ratings. The committee will consist of the members of the University Budget Committee, a member of the Executive Committee (Dr. M. Botwin volunteered at the April 12 Executive Committee Meeting), a member of the Personnel Committee, and an individual from the Office of Student Affairs.
- (ii) Place the completion of the cost assessment on the agenda for the 2010-2011 academic year.

7. Operational Overview of the Budget Model (please bring your computer)

The presentation by John Waayers was postponed until the next meeting.

MSC to adjourn at 4:50 p.m.

The next University Budget Committee meeting will be on Wednesday, May 5, 2010 at 3:30 p.m. in TA #117.

Agenda.

1. Approval of the Minutes of 4/21/10.
2. Approval of the Agenda.
3. Communications and Announcements.
4. New Business.
5. Discussion of the Response of the UBC to President Welty's Announcement Regarding Pending Layoffs on April 23, 2010 to Meet the Budget Shortfall Anticipated for the 2010-2011 Academic year.
6. Operational Overview of the Budget Model. (please bring your computer)